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ANAWIM HOUSING FOUNDATION IS AWARDED \$100,000 LEADERSHIP GRANT FROM THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Anawim Housing Foundation has been chosen to receive a Leadership Grant this year from the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines. The Leadership Grant will be used to support Anawim's Legacy Project on 6th Avenue, the first phase in a four phase revitalization plan. Anawim Housing is honored to be a recipient this year; the Legacy project will be the first ripple in a tidal wave of positive change for the area.

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ANAWIM HOUSING AT THE ARTS FESTIVAL

Anawim Housing hosted a booth at the Des Moines Arts Festival this weekend. We had an excellent turnout and beautiful summer weather. Our kids activity involved coloring a paper cup and planting seeds, with the message "bloom where you are planted". We were very thankful to have the help of our board chairs Sue Kenny and Patricia Shoff, who both graciously donated their time this weekend to help with the event. Thank-you to all of our volunteers who made this event a fun and successful one for Anawim.

Check out all photos from this weekend by clicking the link below.

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DIANE HERNANDEZ TEACHES CLASS ON SELF SUFFICIENCY AT THE ANAWIM HOUSING OFFICE

“More Money, Fewer Problems” was the title of the recent class targeted to those individuals who are currently on or waiting for Supplemental Security Income, or SSI. The usual SSI check is currently \$733.00 a month and is meant to cover basic food and shelter needs. For most individuals this monthly check will not come close in covering basic needs. Unfortunately the prevalent myth is that an individual cannot or should not work while waiting for their SSI application to be address and that once you receive SSI you will loose all your benefits if you do work. Diane Hernandez, a Disability Benefits Specialist with Iowa Works was able to address and dispel these myths in the informative class offered at the Anawim Housing Offices.

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